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COMPUTERISATION OF DISTRICT COLLECTORATES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposal to computerise all the district collectorates in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government will provide financial assistance to the State Governments in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether any district collectorate has been fully computerised in the country; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) to (d): Department of Information Technology (DIT) thr8ough national Informatics Centre (NIC) is providing backbone e-Governance network and technical support to the Central Government Departments, States, UTs and District Administrations in the country. NIC sets up Computer Centres at District level and equips them with basic computing and data communication facilities and provides the services of one District Information Officer & one District Information Assistant. District Collectorates can use these facilities for their computerization needs. Expenditure towards the above facilities are met by the NIC from its budget allocation and as such no direct financial assistance is provided to the State Government in this regard.

(e) and (f): No such assessment has been carried out. However, NIC has designed and developed number of e-Governance applications, which can be used by the respective district administration depending upon their preparedness and requirements. Some of these applications are:

- Land Records Computerisation
- Registration of Properties
- Below poverty line database
- Registration of birth and death
- collectorate 2000/DC Suite (Citizen services such as Driving License, Marriage Certificate, Domicile, Arm License, Caste Certificate etc.)
- Rural Development Information system for managing rural development and proverty alleviation schemes (Rural Soft)
- Panchayati Raj Institutions Accounting System (PRIASOFT)
- District Treasuries
- Public Distribution System (PDS)
- Integrated Child Development Services
- IT Enabled Employment Exchange Operation.